STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

VEHICLE INDUSTRY NEWS

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Subject: Vehicle Make Abbreviation Change for the GM Hummer

Background

In March 2002, General Motors (GM) added Hummer to their motor vehicle line. The previous make abbreviation was "AMGN" under American General Corporation. GM requested that the abbreviation be changed to "HUMM," which is more comparable with other GM vehicle make abbreviations.

The National Crime Information Center (NCIC) has since changed its vehicle make code to "HUMM." The Vehicle Identification Number Analysis System (VINA) has not yet updated the make in their system.

Procedures/Information

Please print "HUMM" as the make abbreviation on all new and transfer applications.

All existing Hummer registrations with the make abbreviation of "AMGN" will remain unchanged until a transfer, or title correction occurs; then the department will correct the make to "HUMM."

Distribution

This memo was distributed in AUGUST 2002 to the following:

- Dealers
- Registration Services

Contact

Contact your local DMV field office regarding questions on processing transactions, or the DMV Customer Communications Section at (916) 657-6560 for further clarification of this memo.

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